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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to May 9, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4, 6-34, 36-41 and 43-56.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 22 November 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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DETAILED ACTION

Applicants Response After Allowance

1. The applicant remarks submitted on May 9, 2005, have been noted and made of record, however as detailed below, the examiner has stated the claimed language in which he/she has determined places the case in allowable form.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-4, 6-34, 36-41, and 43-56 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: This invention deals with a system for de-icing a cableway comprising a cableway configured for movement, and a power source electrically connected to the cableway for heating the cableway, wherein the power source provides power to the cableway in a range of about from 5 to 100 watts per meter of the cableway (claim 1). This invention also deals with a system for de-icing an elongated conductor, wherein the elongated conductor comprises a conductor span being separately connected to a power source wherein the system melts ice using power having voltage in the range of about 10-20 volts (claim 20). This invention also deals with a method for de-icing a cableway configured for movement, comprising a step of applying electric power to the cableway for heating the cableway, wherein applying electrical power comprises having a power source that provides power in a range of about from 5 to 100 watts per meter of the cableway (claim 36). This invention also deals with a method for de-icing an elongated conductor

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comprising the steps of separately connecting a conductor span with a power source and applying electrical power having a voltage in the range of 10-20 volts to the conductor span (claim 50). The above stated claim limitations, in combination with other claim limitations, is not taught or suggested by the prior art of record.

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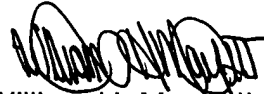
Communication

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William H. Mayo III whose telephone number is (571)-272-1978. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30am-6:00 pm (alternate Fridays off).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dean Reichard can be reached on (571) 272-2800 ext 31. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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